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For: **Method and System in an Electronic Spreadsheet for Applying User-Defined Options**Assignee Name: **International Business Machines Corporation**Assignee Residence: **Armonk, New York**

Enclosed are:

- ☒ 34 Patent Specification including an Abstract
- ☒ 3 Pages of Claims
- ☒ 9 Sheet(s) of drawings. ☐ Informal ☒ Formal
- ☒ Declaration(s) and Power of Attorney
- ☒ Form PTO 1595 and Assignment of the Invention to IBM Corporation
- ☒ A certified copy of a European application filed on July 13, 2000, serial no. 00480062.9.
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement, PTO 1449 and copies of references.
- ☒ Preliminary Amendemnt

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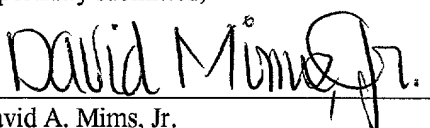
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